WEST CONNECTION



Student, Austin Oliver, connects at Greyhouse.

We're Social Media Savvy

Whether you're a Purdue student or life-long resident, access the news you use 24/7 via our website, Facebook, Twitter, eNotify press releases, and newsletters — you choose.

Website: It's packed with virtually everything you want to know about the City. Search the departments, documents, services, news items, and contact the people who make the city tick. www.westlafayette.in.gov.

Facebook: Like us at West Lafayette - City Government and Sagamore West Farmers Market. See photos, make comments, share recommendations, view videos, and get up-to-date posts on breaking news.

Twitter: Do you tweet? Follow us @WestLafayettelN to be in the know with up-todate information from our various departments, or follow the farmers market @SagamoreWestFM.

eNotify: Subscribe online to be notified of WL City press releases, bill payments, and Farmers Market and CONNECTION newsletters. Get notified about service requests or combined sewer overflows via email. Customize your subscription to receive only the items you desire.

Old School: This newsletter is mailed the old-fashioned way, as well as available through eNotify. Visit City Hall, Monday through Friday, 8 am - 4:30 pm or phone us at 765-775-5100.

Newly Improved Lommel Park

Lommel Park is one of the City's hidden treasures. Nestled in Barbarry Heights between Essex and Wilshire, Lommel Park is a peaceful place for children to play. But don't be fooled — it is fully decked out with two contemporary preschool and youth playground systems with all the bells and whistles and climbing walls. The five-acre park also sports fields for softball or soccer, and has relaxing swings for when adults need a break.

What's new is a modern green-roofed shelter and matching furnishings. The shelter is accessible with walkways and a wide cement pad for wheelchair maneuverability, and is outfitted with a grill, electricity, water, and picnic tables. Park hours are from 8 am to sunset-thirty.





Mayor John Dennis helps the West Lafayette team win Riverfest 2012.

Heading into Fall by Mayor John Dennis

West Lafayette is always exciting in the fall. You can hear the cadence of the Purdue All-American Marching Band around campus and just feel the anticipation build for the new school year, a new football season, new friends, and new opportunities. As 40,000 students pour into campus each fall, the community swells with life and commerce.

I'd like to extend a warm welcome to you, whether you're a new student, new to the area, returning to campus, or have lived here your entire life. We will be hosting our annual "Meet and Greet" the evening of August 21 for students in the New Chauncey and Northwestern Heights neighborhoods to personally welcome you to West Lafayette and distribute valuable information about the City and its services.

Over the summer we've made progress on several construction projects — probably the one good outcome of not having much rain. Please be careful while traveling on roads under construction, as routing may have changed since the spring. The roundabout on Northwestern and Yeager should be completed by the first home football game, and you'll notice many resurfaced streets and new sidewalks around the City.

Our departments have been busy improving the quality of life for residents by renovating park facilities, providing superior fire and police protection, and making the City leaner and greener through its recycling and energy production.

We have a lot to be proud of here in West Lafayette. Our festivals, like Global Fest or Art on the Wabash are annual favorites not to be missed. We're breaking ground on new shopping/apartment complexes near campus to accommodate the growing student population, and new businesses are moving into Purdue Research Park and Wabash Commons. Please explore some of West Lafayette's highlights in this newsletter, and surf our website, www.westlafayette.in.gov, friend us on Facebook or send us a tweet.

Traffic Report

Dave Buck, Public Works Director, highlights several projects underway to improve roadways and traffic flow around campus and throughout the city. Weather conditions have been favorable for road crews this summer, and West Lafayette is busy improving roads, repairing sidewalks and installing ramps throughout various neighborhoods. Please be aware of detours and speed limits around construction zones for safety's sake.

Yeager Road and Cumberland Avenue's roundabout is expected to open this fall in time for the Purdue football season.

Yeager Road north of Kalberer is being modified to provide access to the Research Lab for Caterpillar's ARPL (Automotive Research Proving Lab), along with a lift station to serve the new facility.

Connolly and DeHart Streets received new sidewalks, curbs, and ramps thanks to community development grants from the federal government.

Street resurfacing has been in full swing all summer.

Wetland plantings now grace the pond on the Kampen Golf Course.

For up-to-date traffic related news, see www.westlafayette.in.gov.



New wetland plantings will add to the already beautiful Kampen Golf Course.

Charging Ahead

West Lafayette has some exciting new developments underway. Chandler Poole, Director of Development, notes progress on six top projects.

Dow AgroSciences Seed Quality Control Lab Now one of the largest tenants in the Purdue Research Park with 53 employees, this is Dow's 2nd facility in the Park.

Farmers and Merchants Bank Located in Wabash Commons, this marks the first branch in Tippecanoe County for the 100-year-old bank, based in Boswell, Otterbein and West Lebanon. Opening date is slated for November.

Miracles Fitness/Miracles Rehab Specializing in fitness and rehabilitation for the over-40 crowd, Miracles broke ground on June 8 in Wabash Commons.

IU Health Arnett Construction has begun for the 31,500 sq. ft. building in the former Kmart site in the new Wabash Commons. Services will include urgent care, primary care, pediatrics, internal medicine and radiology. Expected to be open next summer.

GenPort The Italian firm will house the company's solid hydrogen fuel cell research for military, emergency and medical industries at the company's new North American



Ground breaking at IU Health Arnett

headquarters located in Purdue Research Park. The facility is expected to be operational by this fall.

Purdue Research Park Celebrating 50 years of innovation and job creation, anniversary events were held throughout the year and capped off with a gala held June 12. Purdue Research Park has the largest university-affiliated incubation complex in the country with more than 120 technology-based companies.

Good Neighbor Policy

Encouraging and enforcing respectfulness of others and their property is the underlying purpose of the Neighborhood Resource Team. The department handles stray animals, unsightly garbage, parking violations, unkempt lawns and sidewalks, and noisy parties. As part of the Police Department, the NRT works closely with residents to help maintain beauty and harmony within West Lafayette neighborhoods.

Note new code enforcement changes: Some parking fines have increased. Timed violations are now \$35 while some miscellaneous violations are now \$40 per occurrence. Please pay attention to signs before you park, especially near congested areas or construction.

MOVING IN AND OUT TIPS

DO: Use dumpsters and appropriate containers for trash disposal.



DO: Recycle unwanted items at Goodwill; discard broken electronic devices at Oscar Winski's eRecycling facility.

DO: Familiarize yourself with West Lafayette Codes to be a good neighbor (and avoid fines).

DON'T: Monopolize or block alleys or driveways while moving.

DON'T: Neglect to read the ordinances/violations concerning rubbish, shrubbery and grass upkeep, exterior furniture, and noise ordinances in West Lafayette neighborhoods.

A bad neighbor is as great a calamity as a good one is a great advantage. **Hesiod**

Places to Go and Things to Do

Fall Festivals to Explore Food, Beers, Music, World Cultures, Art, & History

Sagamore West Farmers Market is open every Wednesday in Cumberland Park. Bi-weekly wine tastings continue, and expanded take-out options and seating areas allow shoppers to eat onsite or take ready-to-eat food home. You can also celebrate local talent and creativity with one of a kind artwork, crafts, and artisan food as you listen to local musicians perform from 4 to 6 pm. The Farmers Market is open through October 31, with a pre-Thanksgiving bonus day on November 21.

Beers Across the Wabash is a new venue to taste an assortment of ales and lagers from 30 Indiana breweries on Saturday, August 25 from noon – 4 pm on the John T. Myers Pedestrian Bridge.

www.beersacrossthewabash.com

Uptown Jazz and Blues Festival After an afternoon of tasting beers across the Wabash, swing uptown for a night of hot jazz and cool blues. Food and drinks from uptown eateries will be available on Saturday, August 25 from 5pm to midnight. **www.jazz-blues.org**

Global Fest is a perfect way to experience other cultures from around the world without leaving home. Enjoy international food, entertainment, and activities for the whole family on Saturday, September 1 from 10 am – 9 pm at the Morton Community Center. For more information contact Pennie Ainsworth at painsworth@westlafayette.in.gov

Art on the Wabash is a juried local artists' fair sponsored by the City of West Lafayette, featuring artwork from a 15-county region. Beautiful objects of art of all types will be available for sale. The event is on Sunday, September 16 from 10 am – 4 pm at Tapawingo Park. www.artonthewabash.com



I hear the Mountain Breeze by local artist Alice Harpel

Starry Night is an outdoor festival that combines music, art, and the power of storytelling with the focus on children's literacy. The free family event is held in the West Lafayette Village by Greyhouse Coffee on Friday, September 21 from 7 pm - midnight. www.starrynightfestival.com

Feast of the Hunters' Moon is the largest historical festival in the Midwest - celebrating its 45th year this September 22 & 23 at Fort Ouiatenon. Experience the mid-1700's as the French, British, and Native Americans did at the fur-trading fort with traditional food, crafts, music and costumes of the era.

www.tcha.mus.in.us/feast

Wow! Check out the comprehensive and interactive Convention and Visitors Bureau online guides for all events and activities in the Lafayette/West Lafayette area at: www.homeofpurdue.com/highlights, and hit the trails with your online trail map from the City's website. www.westlafayette.in.gov

In Case of Fire

Construction is heating up for the brand new Fire Station #3 at 1100 Kalberer Road. It will better serve the growing population on the northern end of West Lafayette by housing six firefighters and an additional fire truck, with room to grow. The modern, all-cement 9,544 sq. ft. firehouse will be equipped with new computer and workout rooms, a watch room, chief and captain offices, along with dormitories, laundry facilities, lounge,

kitchen, and quarters for fire engine maintenance and firefighter supplies.

In addition, all WL fire stations, as well as the WL Police Station and local hospitals, provide safe havens for abandoned babies to support safe solutions for families in crisis.

Fire Chief Timothy Heath anticipates the new facility will open in late October.

DON'T Wastewater



Perennial plants thrive in rain gardens.

Check out the new demo rain garden at the Wastewater Treatment Plant to see how to conserve rainwater runoff and provide natural beauty in your yard. Rain gardens are typically placed at least 10 feet from a roof downspout and planted

with native, perennial flowers and grasses. The rain water that would otherwise spill into storm sewers and eventually end up in the Wabash River is temporarily pooled in the rain garden and filtered through the soil to nourish vegetation. Grease → electricity when added to the digesters at the facility by creating useable methane gas for energy. Pick up a free 1 gallon jug at West Lafayette City Hall and fill it with used cooking oil, fats, and grease, and drop it off at the Recycling Center in the bioENERGY section. It's a slick way to save your pipes and reduce landfill waste, while helping the City curb costs.

Did you know? With the addition of a 5th aeration tank, the plant will be able to treat up to 10.5 million gallons of wastewater/day? That's a lot of shadoobie!

For more information, contact David Henderson, Wastewater Treatment Plant Utility Director, at 765-775-5145 or visit the City's website.

City News

NEW HIRES

Thomas Foster

Street and Sanitation
Driver/Collector/Processor

Stephen Jenkinson

Fire Department Entry-Level Firefighter

Sean Mayer

Fire Department
Entry-Level Firefighter

Caleb Pavey

Parks and Recreation Maintenance Technician II

J. Nicholas Rawles

Parks and Recreation Maintenance Technician II

Lisa Sinha

Police Department Crossing Guard

Aron Thompson

Police Department Probationary Officer

RETIREMENTS

Fire Department
Richard Anderson
Phil Drew
G. Michael Gruver



Point of Departure

A new metal art sculpture, "Point of Departure," by artist Ben Sutter sits at the corner of Northwestern Avenue and State Street, and was sponsored by Jason Tennenhouse for Greyhouse Coffee & Supply Company. Check out art in the heart of Chauncey Village.

Unexpected words we hear or life events lead us all in new directions. Maybe new directions begin today.

Ben Sutter



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Sagamore West Farmers Market

Wednesdays through October 31 Pre-Thanksgiving bonus day November 21 3 – 6:30 pm | Cumberland Park

Tuesday | August 21 | 6:30 pm Purdue Visitor Center

Saturday | August 25 | Noon – 4 pm John T. Myers Pedestrian Bridge

Uptown Jazz and Blues Festival

Saturday | August 25 | 5 pm - midnight Uptown Lafayette

Global Fest

Let's Go! Event Calendar

Saturday | September 1 | 10 am - 9 pm Morton Community Center

Saturday | September 1 | 6 pm - midnight Downtown Lafayette

Art on the Wabash – a local artists' fair

Sunday | September 16 | 10 am - 4 pm Tapawingo Park

5K Fun Run/2-Mile Walk Series

Wednesday | September 19 | 6:30 pm Wednesday | October 17 | 6:30 pm Sagamore West Farmers Market Cumberland Park



Starry Night Festival

Starry Night Arts & Music Festival

Friday | September 21 | 7 pm - midnight West Lafayette Village

Feast of the Hunters' Moon

Saturday | September 22 | 9 am - 5 pm Sunday | September 23 | 9 am - 4 pm Fort Ouiatenon

Purdue Boilermaker Half Marathon

Saturday | October 20 | 7:30 - 11 am Purdue | West Lafayette & Lafayette

Drug Drop-off

Thursdays | September 13 | October 11 November 8 | December 13 11:30 am - 1:30 pm West Lafayette Police Station

City Hall CLOSED

September 3 | November 6 November 12 | November 22 & 23 December 24 & 25 | January 1



Lynn Layden, Chair of the WL Tree Fund, leads a team of volunteers who water trees each week.

Branching Out

Thanks to the West Lafayette Tree Fund and Wabash River Enhancement Corporation, University Farms is now home to 143 newlyplanted native shade trees. Remember to water recently planted trees during dry spells.